

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:	Vance et al.)	Examiner:	Kumar, Vinod
Serial Number:	10/623,930)	Group Art Unit:	1638
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Title:	"Compositions and Methods for the Modulation of Gene Expression in Plants")		

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated September 4, 2008, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance in view of the following:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.